

West Bay Woodturners 2014 Competition

Skill Levels

Beginner

- An enthusiast that is beginning to develop basic skills
- Usually requires guidance on techniques or design
- Focuses on making one or two types of pieces (e.g., bowls, platters)

Intermediate

- Can consistently execute one's own design to one's own satisfaction
- Ventures into more challenging forms, finishes, and functions
- Objects may be marketable at a craft show or street fair venue
- Shares knowledge with others

Advanced

- Demonstrates mastery of all the basic turning techniques
- May specialize in some particular forms or styles (e.g. segmented or miniature), but can execute any form without hesitation
- Objects selected for juried shows or exhibitions
- Teaches and mentors others
- Crafts own tools and jigs
- May provide unpaid demonstrations for local clubs

Professional

- Flawless execution in form, finish, and function
- Objects selected for museum, corporate exhibition, leading galleries, or significant private collections
- Innovates techniques of preparation, design, turning, finishing
- May have work published in books, author articles for magazines, or provide demonstrations at national conventions